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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: :
SECONDO DOTTORI : ATTN: APPLICATIONS DIVISION
SERIAL NO.: 10/756,368 :
FILED: JANUARY 14, 2004 :
FOR: SUPPRESSION OF BACTERIAL GROWTH IN PLASMA BY ADDITION OF L-
CARNITINE, OR ESTERS OR SALTS THEREOF

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.48(a)

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

The undersigned Petitioner herein requests that the inventorship of the above-referenced application be corrected to add Arduino Arduini as an inventor. The inventors in this case are Secondo Dottori and Arduino Arduini.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.48(a), enclosed is: a statement from each person who is added or deleted as an inventor that the inventorship error occurred without any deceptive intention on his part; a declaration under 37 C.F.R. §1.63 executed by the actual inventors; the written consent of the assignee, SIGMA-TAU INDUSTRIE FARMACEUTICHE RIUNITE S.P.A.; and the fee set forth in 37 CFR §1.17(i).

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Consequently, it is respectfully requested that this petition be GRANTED.

Respectfully submitted,

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